More and more people are moving into the Tundra. The people come for the oil rigs and mines. The animals that live there are either shot or scared away. Animal’s dens may also be destroyed. The feeding patterns are disturbed and some animals will starve. There is a lot of pollution because of all of the drilling and mining. Tons of plants have died and when the sunlight hits the ruts the permafrost melts, this causes erosion and then the ruts get bigger. Eventually the ruts will turn into gullies. Tracks made in WW II have grown so large that some are now lakes. The Tundra also suffers from global warming.

They made a pipeline that went from the top of Alaska to the bottom. They put it above the ground so it didn’t disturb the permafrost or disturb the migration of the caribou. Also they made sure that when they planted the pipeline that it didn’t crack and leak on the land and kill the plants.